

HISTORIC INVESTMENTS IN COMBATTING WILDFIRES & TACKLING CLIMATE CHANGE

- Over \$2 billion to fight and combat wildfires, & advance emergency response,
 the single largest investment in wildfire preparedness in California's history
- \$5.1 billion for immediate drought response and long-term water resilience
- Over \$3.9 billion investment to drive 2035 zero-emission vehicles goal
- \$3.7 billion climate resilient package to prepare for extreme heat, sea level rise and environmental justice priorities

California's recovery is underway, with the state reopened after achieving the most vaccinations in the entire country, and now we're <u>leading the nation's economic recovery</u>. But we still have a long way to go and can't be satisfied with just returning to the way things were. **Governor Newsom's** \$100 billion California Comeback Plan is the comprehensive strategy needed to address the state's most persistent challenges and ensure California comes back from this pandemic stronger than before.

Amid unparalleled risk of catastrophic wildfire and ever-present climate change, Governor Newsom has taken bold action to protect communities and advance California's nation-leading climate agenda including requiring that all new cars sold be zero-emission by 2035, setting a goal to end oil extraction, strengthening emission standards for polluting trucks and pledging to conserve 30 percent of land and coastal water by 2030.

The California Comeback Plan invests over \$2 billion to combat and prepare for wildfires and advance emergency response, the single largest investment in our state's history. It also includes \$5.1 billion over four years for immediate drought response and long-term water resilience. Furthering California's environmental priorities, the Comeback Plan includes a \$3.9 billion investment to drive the transition to zero-emission vehicles globally by 2035.

In addition to these targeted intervention strategies, the California Comeback Plan has one overarching goal – jumpstart our recovery by directly confronting our most pressing challenges:

- Providing Immediate Relief for Those Hardest Hit by COVID-19
- Confronting the Homelessness & Housing Affordability Crisis
- Transforming Public Schools as Gateways for Opportunity
- Building Infrastructure for the Next Century
- Combating Wildfires & Tackling Climate Change



KEY ACTIONS FOR WILDFIRE & CLIMATE RESILIENCE

\$2 BILLION FOR THE SINGLE LARGEST INVESTMENT IN WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE IN OUR STATE'S HISTORY

- EXPANDED STAFFING AND EQUIPMENT INVESTMENTS:
 - \$143.3 million to support 30 additional fire crews, helping CAL FIRE to respond to wildfires throughout the fire season and complete fuel reduction projects.
 - \$38.9 million to staff both current and three additional Cal Fire crews in addition to extending the surge of 1.399 seasonal firefighters until winter.
 - \$48.4 million to phase in 12 new CAL FIRE HAWK helicopters and seven massive large air tankers.
 - \$33.7 million to replace two CAL FIRE helicopter bases and establish an Emergency
 Operations Center for Southern California to help save lives and properties.
 - \$7.4 million to build a wildfire forecast and threat intelligence center.
 - \$29.9 million to create an Office of Equity at Cal OES to connect with disaster vulnerable communities.
 - \$95 million for additional administrative, operational, IT and mission support staff and related capacities.
 - **\$5 million research grant for equipment and strategies** to protect firefighters from dangerous conditions present during wildfires.

IMPROVED FOREST HEALTH AND MANAGEMENT

\$1.5 billion to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfires by increasing the pace and scale of forest management projects, through thinning overgrown forests, increasing prescribed burns, and replanting trees. This investment will also enable regional efforts to build a pipeline of wildfire resilience projects, expand fire-adapted homes and communities, improve stewardship on state lands, and create high-road jobs while jump starting small businesses that meet California's climate objectives. (Early action contributed \$536 million towards this agreement, supplemented by a proposed \$458 million in the current fiscal year, and an additional \$500 million shall be advanced where further funding is needed.)

DIRECT INVESTMENTS TO COMMUNITIES

- \$100 million all-hazards initiative to build disaster-resilient communities, by covering local government costs for a federal disaster resilience grant program.
- \$150 million to develop and enhance community resilience centers that will provide shelter and support base camps during emergency events
- \$100 million in local government assistance to assist counties and cities during and after disasters.



\$5.1 BILLION OVER FOUR YEARS FOR IMMEDIATE DROUGHT RESPONSE AND LONG-TERM WATER RESILIENCE TO ENSURE THAT CALIFORNIA HAS THE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IT NEEDS TO GRAPPLE WITH MORE EXTREME CYCLES OF WET AND DRY

- \$727.7 million to meet current and anticipated future water supply needs while building
 regional capacity to endure dry conditions. These investments will fund emergency drought
 relief projects that help secure and expand water supplies; small supplier and rural community
 drought contingency planning and preparedness projects; and local water resilience capacity
 building that includes outreach to disadvantaged communities.
- Funding to support the repair and enhancement of the state's water data infrastructure; the state cost-share of a federal desalination research hub; equipment; resources to help address drought impacts on state wildlife areas; and address the increased need for species monitoring and project permitting.
- \$365.2 million across four years to leverage \$1.8 billion in federal funds for the American River Common Features flood control project, the maintenance and strengthening of levees, the support of emergency flood response activities in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, and the support of collaborative flood risk management.

\$600 million for the Community Economy Resilience Fund to support regions as they lay a foundation for effective and sustainable economic planning and implementation, and connect regional efforts to direct state infrastructure investments in climate resilience, ZEV infrastructure, energy, circular economy, and transportation and housing infrastructure. The Fund will support targeted grants to each of the state's major regions to plan and implement high road transition strategies, with a focus on building the capacity for under-served communities to participate fully in developing a more sustainable, inclusive economy.

\$3.7 BILLION CLIMATE RESILIENT PACKAGE TO PREPARE FOR EXTREME HEAT, SEA LEVEL RISE AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE PRIORITIES to advance programs that support low-income and disadvantaged communities, who are on the frontline of extreme heat events, protect communities from sea-level rise and flooding, and support community driven climate initiatives, among other investments. The Administration will be working with the Legislature over the summer to determine how this funding will be appropriated for specific programs.

\$3.9 BILLION INVESTMENT TO HIT FAST FORWARD ON CALIFORNIA'S ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE GOALS AND LEAD THE TRANSITION TO ZEVS ON A GLOBAL SCALE



- Over \$1 billion to put 1,000 zero-emission drayage trucks, 1,000 zero-emission school buses, and 1,000 transit buses, and the necessary infrastructure, on California roads, cleaning up the air in disadvantaged communities.
- \$925 million to invest in consumer adoption of ZEVs, with a focus on priority populations.
 - \$400 million to expand the Clean Cars 4 All, funding to low-income Californians living
 in and near disadvantaged communities to scrap their old car and replace it with a new
 or used advanced technology car, and
 - \$525 million for consumer rebates for new ZEV purchases through the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project.
- \$500 million for the Clean Transportation Program towards light-duty ZEV infrastructure to close anticipated gaps for 2025 goals on electric and hydrogen infrastructure and to further support infrastructure for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles and equipment such as transit and school buses, last-mile delivery trucks, local, regional and long-haul goods movement, transport refrigeration units and port vehicles.
- \$500 million for clean trucks, buses and off-road equipment including programs that support the equitable transition of the transportation sector to zero-emission and provide critical air quality and health benefits to communities.
- \$407 million for zero-emission rail and transit equipment purchases and infrastructure to demonstrate and purchase or lease state-of-the-art clean bus and rail equipment and infrastructure that eliminate fossil fuel emissions and increase intercity rail and intercity bus frequencies.
- **\$250 million in advanced ZEV manufacturing grants,** administered by the Clean Transportation Program. This investment may be coupled with High Road Training Partnerships to increase access to high quality jobs for workers and trained employees for employers.
- \$5 million for the ZEV Market Development Strategy implementation, connecting Californians to zero-emission vehicle opportunities.